

of everything, the intelligent (INDBI)
reaches the
viands (of the enemy) as a horse (reaches)
the battle.

3. ¹ For thou, PAVAMA^A, who art most
brilliant,
quickly shoutest to the races of the gods for
(the
sake of their) immortality:—

4. (Thou) through whom DADHYANCH the
offerer
of the nine days' rite opened (the cave),
through
whom the *rishis* recovered (the stolen
cows),
through whom under the protection of the
gods
the worshippers obtained the sustenance of
the
delicious (ambrosial) water —

5. ² This (*Soma*) when effused flows most
exhilar-
ating through the woollen fleece,
sporting like a
wave of water.

v*ga xviii. 6. ³ Thou who by thy might extricated
from the
rock the quick-moving kine abiding in
the waters,
thou hast spread out a pasturage for
cattle and
horses; like a mailed (warrior) slay (the
Asuras),
brave (SOMA).

7. ⁴ Pour forth (the Soma), sprinkle it
round like
a horse, adorable, dispenser of rain,
dispenser of
light, showerer of fluid, swimming in
water —

¹ Verses 3 and 4 occur Sama Veda, II. 3. 1. 17 ;
verse 3 also
tlid. L 6. 2. 4. 6.

² Sama Veda, I. 6. 2. 4. 7.

* Sama Veda, L 6. 2. 4. 8. Sayana interprets
thus : " Who

by his might cut the quick moving waters of the
firmament
from out of the cloud, thou gettest a herd of
cattle and horses."

⁴ Verses 7 and 8 occur Sama Yeda, II. 6. 2. 6 ;
verse 7 also
ibid. I. 6. 2. 4. 3.